

ROUTING

Top Secret

219

TO:	NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE	INITIALS
1	<i>HK</i>		
2			
3			
4			

<input type="checkbox"/>	ACTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	DIRECT REPLY	<input type="checkbox"/>	PREPARE REPLY
<input type="checkbox"/>	APPROVAL	<input type="checkbox"/>	DISPATCH	<input type="checkbox"/>	RECOMMENDATION
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMMENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	FILE	<input type="checkbox"/>	RETURN
<input type="checkbox"/>	CONCURRENCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	INFORMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	SIGNATURE

REMARKS:

FROM: NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NO. DATE

(Security Classification)

CONTROL NO.

25X1

25X1

Access to this document will be restricted to those approved for the following specific activities:

NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE DAILY CABLE

Wednesday 21 June 1978

CG NIDC 78/144C

NATIONAL SECURITY INFORMATION

Unauthorized Disclosure Subject to Criminal Sanctions

25X1

Top Secret

(Security Classification)

25X1

25X1

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

25X1

25X1

National Intelligence Daily Cable for Wednesday, 21 June 1978.

The NID Cable is for the purpose of informing senior US officials.

CONTENTS

EGYPT: Sadat's Speech to ASU Page 1

ZAIRE: Military Situation Page 3

FRANCE: Potential Labor Troubles Page 5

BRIEFS: Page 6

25X1

EGYPT: Sadat's Speech to ASU

25X1 *Egyptian President Sadat's speech yesterday was yet another attempt to defend his recent imposition of greater restrictions on political activity. Sadat dealt only briefly with Israel's answers to US questions on peace negotiations and clearly tried to cast his criticisms in a way that would not prejudice efforts to keep current exchanges alive.*

25X1

25X1 Replaying the theme of his past several speeches, Sadat accused the leadership of the New Wafd Party of trying to revive "pre-revolutionary politics" and warned that he would never allow the existence of an Egyptian leftist party led by Marxists and under foreign influences.

25X1 The only new element in his address was a call for the Arab Socialist Union--the remnant of the country's single-party system, which now monitors the formation of new parties--to draw up a code of political ethics to be reviewed on 23 July, the anniversary of the Egyptian revolution.

25X1 Sadat's call for a code of ethics appears to be a further attempt to make his political crackdown appear as if it resulted from the "popular will." Those who have been most critical of the curtailment of political liberties are likely to see the move as a transparent gambit and will not soften their criticism.

25X1 The Egyptian President commented on Israel's response to US questions concerning peace negotiations at the end of his address in an effort to play down the seeming stalemate. He described Tel Aviv's answers as "very loose and not positive at all." He nevertheless said he remains optimistic and is ready to resume direct talks with the Israelis, if they decide to be more "forthcoming."

25X1

25X1

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

25X1

25X1

ZAIRE: Military Situation

25X1

[REDACTED] //The approximately 2,000-man African international peacekeeping force in Zaire is now being sent to the mining towns of southern Shaba Region. Belgian troops remain in the area but are scheduled to leave Shaba by the end of the week. Katangan rebels are reported to be still in the Luashi area near the border with Angola.//

25X1

[REDACTED] Plans call for the stationing of major units of the peacekeeping force in Lubumbashi, Likasi, and Kolwezi, and a smaller force in Kambove. The garrisons from the three major towns will send patrols to other mining communities, including Kakanda, Fungurume, and Kipushi. Europeans working in Kipushi want troops to be stationed in the town, but no decision has yet been made.

25X1

25X1

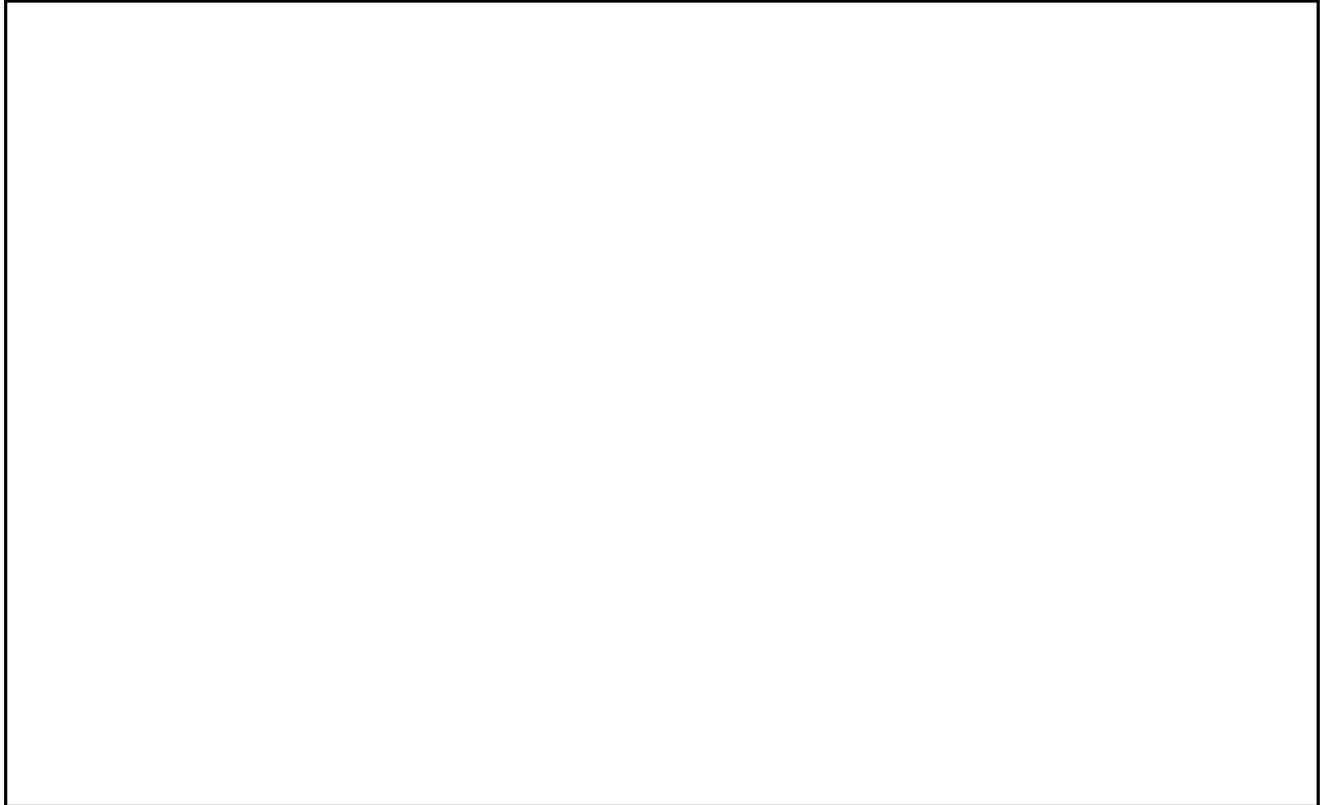
[REDACTED] Belgium was to start withdrawing the last of its troops from the mining towns yesterday. According to the Belgian commander, all of his men would return to Belgium by Monday.

25X1

25X1

[redacted] the only
Katangan insurgents remaining in Shaba are in the Luashi area.

X1



FRANCE: Potential Labor Troubles

[Redacted] Scattered but persistent strikes are causing some alarm on the French labor scene. The big confederations are not anxious to stage major strikes so close to the vacation period--which begins in mid-July--but pressure from below may force them to do so.

[Redacted] Strikes in key sectors of the nationalized Renault automotive plants have blocked deliveries of parts and forced management to lay off 9,000 workers. Strikes have also occurred at the naval arsenal and against some private companies.

[Redacted] Labor unrest has been triggered largely by price rises in food and services and by Prime Minister Barre's blunt statements that he will not change his austerity policies. The Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labor would prefer to let pressure mount over the summer and, in the autumn, rebuild the unity with non-Communist unions that was lost in

the wake of the election in March. It wishes to lead the protest movement against the government. The non-Communist union leaders are not anxious for widespread strikes now either.

25X1

[] The General Confederation of Labor has called for a one-day postal strike today and a two-day railway strike next weekend. Brief strikes like these may not have much significance; they are a traditional union tactic to let off steam. If the pressure from below continues to mount, however, the union's leaders would have to scrap their timetable and organize nationwide strikes. In any event, the government is likely to face a widespread strike wave in the fall that will test its economic and social policies. []

25X1

BRIEFS

25X1

Ethiopia-Djibouti

25X1

[] The railway between Addis Ababa and Djibouti was blocked again on Sunday when guerrillas--probably Somali-backed insurgents--attacked a train some 60 kilometers south of the Djibouti border. During the week the line had been open, only one train had completed the Addis-Djibouti run. The railway is important for the movement of commercial goods into Ethiopia, and the attack could provoke a strong Ethiopian military response.

25X1

Organization of American States

25X1 [] The VIII General Assembly of the Organization of American States opens today in Washington during a transitional phase in hemispheric relations. The Assembly is not expected to reach any major decisions, although there are sufficient political, territorial, and ideological disputes to provide the possibility of controversy before the session closes on 30 June.

25X1 [] The confrontational mood of the mid-1970s, in which Latin American and Caribbean nations opposed what they considered an indifferent US, has all but passed. With many bilateral and subregional relationships under strain, the US will no longer be the exclusive focus of debate.

25X1 [] Economic issues, especially charges of US protectionism, can still elicit strong anti-US rhetoric, but the members will be divided on most other significant human rights, terrorism, reform of the inter-American system, and North-South problems. []

25X1

Iraq-Lebanon

25X1

[redacted] Iraq is reported to be withdrawing its troops from Lebanon. Iraqi Foreign Minister Hammadi told the Lebanese Ambassador in Baghdad on Monday that the troops--presumably the nearly 600-man Special Forces unit sent to southern Lebanon when Israel invaded the area in March--were being withdrawn to aid the Lebanese Government in reestablishing its authority following the Israeli pullout.

25X1

[redacted] Iraqi withdrawal of the Special Forces would still leave some Iraqis in southern Lebanon with the Arab Liberation Front, a Baghdad-sponsored rejectionist Palestinian organization. Iraq usually disavows any official connection with or control over these "volunteers." [redacted]

25X1

25X1

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

25X1

X1

25X1

25X1

25X1

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6

Top Secret

(Security Classification)

Top Secret

Approved For Release 2005/06/09 : CIA-RDP79T00975A030700010068-6
(Security Classification)